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NAPERVILLE NOON LIONS CLUB

SEPTEMBER 2020



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**A person who won't read has no
advantage over one who can't read.**

- Mark Twain

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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

August was a wonderful month for our Club. We met in person twice, welcomed our new member Tracy, kicked off the raffle, and started to work on two new projects – a Club-supported Blood Drive (Chair - Lion Kathy) and a Community Flag Project (Chair - Lion Tracy). These are just getting off the ground, and if you'd like to be involved or have ideas to share, Lions Kathy and Tracy would love to hear from you.

Another accomplishment that is good but not nearly as exciting - our website is now equipped to take donations and sell Raffle Tickets via credit card or PayPal. People from near and far can now contribute to our mission. But we need your help to spread the word. If you use Facebook or other social media, please reach out and let people know that napervillenoonlions.org is ready and they can purchase their raffle tickets there!

In the News - the Naperville Noon Lions Turkey Trot is going virtual for 2020. Virtual you say? Yes, and because we are sitting out the race this year the race shirt will be red. If families can't be together or are not able to travel, they can still keep their tradition (or their streak) alive by running or walking the 5K distance any time anywhere between November 14-29. After their fun they can share their photos and results with each other and with us. Registration will be open September 5 at napervilleturkeytrot.com and is required to receive a shirt.

Finally, thank you to all for your flexibility and support as we learn what it means to operate in our current environment. As much as it is different, it is comfortingly familiar.

Remember WE SERVE

Lion Donna Kearney, President

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**Only the wisest and stupidest of men
never change.**

- Confucius

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Club News and Guest Speakers

GLASSES TRANSPORT

Lion Paul Rewerts picked up many boxes of donated eyeglasses and, with his wife Jackie, transported them to the Lions of Illinois Foundation in Sycamore.



Important cargo

NEW MEMBER

Tracy Gray was inducted as the newest member of the Naperville Noon Lions at a first of its kind outdoor ceremony in Lion Bill Blecker's backyard on August 11. Tracy, an employee of Lions Club International, has already hit the ground running by volunteering. Welcome to the club, Tracy.



Tracy flanked by Lion President Donna Kearney and her sponsor Lion Jane Bowers

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A good photograph is knowing where to stand.

- Ansel Adams

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Luncheon Speakers

NORTH CENTRAL COLLEGE

North Central College President Troy Hammond was our guest speaker on August 11. He let the club know that he grew up in a family of Lions Club members in Indiana and some of his fondest childhood memories were at Lions events.

Troy was on hand to talk with the club about the college's efforts to begin a fall semester amid the COVID-19 pandemic. We learned that the college has a response team who has been working night and day for the past few months to get the college ready for students. They have been creating and implementing plans and modifying the campus environment to be safe.

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The plan is to have a hybrid model where some classes are online, some in person, and some a mixture of those two.

Troy talked about the college's new social justice campaign. The college is working to improve inclusivity and recruitment of a diverse staff. There has been significant dialogue throughout campus and Troy looks to continue this dialogue into the future.

Lion Tom Garvey is currently exploring the possibility of working with North Central to create a campus Lions Club. It is hopeful that this can be accomplished for the start of the 2021-22 academic year.

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I would rather sit on a pumpkin and have it all to myself, than be crowded on a velvet cushion.

- Henry David Thoreau

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BOARD HIGHLIGHTS

The Board of Directors met on August 25, 2020 via zoom. The following is a summary of the Board's actions and discussions. All members are welcome to attend the Board meetings. The next Board meeting will be held on September 22, 2020 at 9:00 am. For information on how to attend the virtual meeting, contact Lion Donna Kearney for an e-mail invite.

Approved the Foundation minutes of July 30 and the Club minutes, as corrected, of July 30.

Approved the Club and Foundation Treasurer's Report for the one month ended July 31, 2020. The budget column for the fiscal year end June 30, 2021 needs to be updated to include current budget data. All Club funds have been transferred to Naperville Bank and Trust Co. Foundation disbursements are currently be made from BMO Harris Bank until account is exhausted.

Approved the Social Service Report for August 2020. Total disbursement for August 2020 was \$2,754. Total disbursement to date totaled \$5,729.

Approved donation for comfort toys in the amount of \$40. All other donations are on hold until further notice.

Discussed membership. Membership dues notices have been sent to those members who have not paid current dues. There are seven prospective members. Membership chair is following up with these prospective members.

Approved a virtual 5K run in November 2020. The regular 5K run has been canceled in that the High School facilities are not available this year and the city may not issue a permit for the event.

Discussed Candy Day. Candy Day is scheduled for October 9, 10 and 11 pending obtaining city approval.

Discussed publicity regarding annual raffle. Articles have been placed in Positively Naperville, Naperville Patch and the Naperville Town

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Planner. Article pertaining to the Eversight award appeared in the August print edition of Positively Naperville.

Discussed annual raffle. Estimated sale of raffle tickets is \$20,000 and net proceeds is expected to be approximately \$15,000. Raffle tickets have been distributed to members. The city approved the permit for the raffle. The new website is live and tickets can be purchased on-line.

Discussed new fund-raising events regarding a Flag Program, Pinot's Virtual and Online Store. The online store was deferred until January 2021. Discussed a community event program regarding blood drive. More information will be available at next Board meeting.

Discussed a Lions Campus Club program at North Central College. Due to the COVID-19 this program was deferred until next year. The College is not allowing any new activities on campus at this time.

Lions Club President and Vice President attended the Naperville Service Club Summit. Representatives from all of the Service Clubs in Naperville attended except the Kiwanis Club. Both fund raising and community service projects were discussed along with financial and meeting issues each Club in encountering. A future meeting will be scheduled to continue discussions.

Discussed costs regarding Naperville Lions websites. The monthly fee for

our websites is \$25 which covers the Club website, the Turkey Trot website and the Pizza Wars website. There is also a separate domain registration annual fee.

Approved registration fee of \$20 for membership chair, Tom Garvey, to attend a conference regarding membership issues.

Discussed Pizza Wars event. It is expected that the Pizza Wars event will be cancelled in February due to Covid-19. In the event it is cancelled we will look for a possible date in the spring of 2021.

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Any sufficiently advanced technology is indistinguishable from magic.

- Arthur C. Clarke

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GUESTS

On August 11, potential new members Hillary Francis and Elijah Kiser were guests of the club.

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Experience is the one thing you can't get for nothing.

- Oscar Wilde

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COMING EVENTS

September 1 – No Meeting

September 8 – Outdoor Meeting (weather permitting) at Lion Paul Rewerts' house, 617 Willow Road, Naperville. Please bring a chair and

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beverages. Our guest speaker will be Trena Yarmat with Service Dogs.

September 8 – Eversight Award Ceremony via Zoom.

September 12 – Adopt-a-Highway cleanup at 8:00 AM.

September 15 – No Meeting

September 22 – Outdoor Business Meeting (weather permitting) at Lion Denise French's house, 7S665 Carriage Way Ct., Naperville. Please bring a chair and beverages.

September 29 – No Meeting

October 1 – Annual District 1-J Golf Outing at Hughes Creek in Elburn. Contact Lion Steve Hertzberg if you'd like to golf.

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS AND SERVICE ANNIVERSARIES

The following members have a service anniversary in **September** and they are:

Lion Diane Hollingsworth (10)
Lion Nick Stanitz (39)
Lion Ken Strugalla (12)
Lion Linda Strugalla (12)

The following members have a birthday in **September** and they are:

Lion Maria Wilson – September 1
Lion Mark Rafferty – September 8
Lion Denise French – September 14
Lion Carl Smith – September 28

Best wishes and congratulations to these members. If your information is missing or incorrect please contact **Lion Jane Bowers** to make additions or corrections.

DATES TO REMEMBER

September 1 - No meeting
September 8 - Luncheon meeting at Lion Paul's
September 15 - No meeting
September 22 - Board of Directors meeting
September 22 - Luncheon meeting at Lion Denise's
September 29 - No meeting

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OFFICERS

President – Lion Donna Kearney
1st VP – Lion Bob Hull
2nd VP – Lion Linda Strugalla
Secretary – Lion Jane Bowers
Treasurer – Lion Bill Bleecker
Director – Lion Jim Ebers
Director – Lion Maria Wilson
Director – Lion Steve Hertzberg
Director – Lion Paul Rewerts
Director – Lion Tom Garvey
Director – Lion Kathy Lukavsky
Immediate Past President – Lion Ken Strugalla

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Appointed Positions and Committee Chairs:

Dues/Membership – Lion Tom Garvey
Tail Twister – Rotating
Lion Tamer – Rotating
Chaplain – At Large
Social Services – Lions Donna Kearney & Denise French
Peace Poster Contest – Lion Karen Maxwell
Program Director – Lion Paul Rewerts
Donations Committee Chair – Lion Linda Strugalla
Diabetes Awareness – Lion Meghen Williams
Publicity – Lions Bob Hull & Kathy Lukavsky
Hospitality – Vacant
Pizza Wars – Lion Steve Hertzberg
Candy Day – Lion Jim Ebers
Summer Raffle – Lion Ken Strugalla
Turkey Trot – Lions Glen Behnke and Donna Kearney
Sight & Sound – Lion Al Knotek
Counter Mints – Lion Steve Hertzberg
Investment Committee – Lions Bill Bleecker, Steve Hertzberg and Al Knotek
Newsletter – Lion Chris Williams
Social Media – Lion Chris Williams

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